

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT
SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2009
9:30P.M.**

1. OPENING

1.1.1 Call to Order

Council President Gatling called the meeting to order at 9:36p.m.

1.1.2 Roll Call

Present: Councilmember Latasha Gatling, Mayor Eugene Grant (ABSENT), Councilmember Darrell Hardy, Councilmember Kelly Porter., Councilmember Gerald R. Raynor, Sr., Councilmember Elenora Simms, Councilmember Reveral Yeargin

Staff: Robert Ashton, Acting City Administrator, Dashaun Lanham, City Clerk

1.1.4 Approval of Agenda:

It was motioned by Councilmember Simms and seconded by Councilmember Hardy to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

None

3. LEGISLATION:

None

4. MEETING TOPICS:

4.1.1. Review and discuss Candidacy Submission for Ward II Vacancy

- Councilmember Simms stated that she was concerned that the residence of Ward II may not be aware of the vacancy. She feels that the Council should mail postcards to Ward II residents to be sure they are aware of the vacancy. The council unanimously agreed with Councilmember Simms.

- Councilmember Gatling stated that the Council needs to create and adopt a process in filling vacancies. The council unanimously agreed with Councilmember Gatling.
- The City Council agreed that the new process in filling the vacancy will be as follows: Each candidate should complete a Candidacy Petition form and get twenty (20) signatures of registered voters, submit their resume, give a two (2) minute speech at a town hall meeting. The resident of a Ward or within the City will be able to recommend the candidate by placing their comments in a suggestions box. The Council will take the suggestions of the residents into consideration.
- Councilmember Porter recommended that we send the Resolution amendment to LGIT before going through the attorney as a cost saving measure.
- The Council agreed that the Town Meeting will be held on Friday, December 11, 2009 at the Seat Pleasant Activity Center from 6:00p.m.-7:00p.m.
- The Council agreed that the Candidate Petition Forms will be due on Monday, December 7, 2009.
- The Council agreed that they were not eliminating any candidates that have submitted their petition prior to the meeting to establish the process.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

6.1 None

7. ADJOURN

It was motioned by Councilmember Yeargin and seconded by Councilmember Hardy to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:55p.m.

Submitted by,

Dashaun N. Lanham
City Clerk